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## REQUEST

FOR

CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
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## This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO ) on page 2.

## 1. Submission required under 37 CFR §1.114

a.  Previously submittedi.  Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR §1.116 previously filed on January 31, 2003  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).ii.  Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
iii.  Other \_\_\_\_\_b.  Enclosedi.  Amendment/Reply      ii.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)  
ii.  Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)      iv.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

## 2. Miscellaneous

a.  Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR §1.103(c) for  
a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR§1.17(i) required)b.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

## 3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 CFR §1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR §1.114 when the RCE is filed.

a.  The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, toDeposit Account No. 19-1013i.  RCE fee required under 37 CFR §1.17(e)      03/06/2003 SZEWNDIE1 00000116 09581447  
ii.  Extension of time fee (37 CFR §§1.136 and 1.17)      01 FC:1801      750.00 OP  
iii.  Other \_\_\_\_\_b.  Check in the amount of \$ 750.00 enclosedc.  Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not  
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